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Enclosed please find the following:

1. Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated March 29, 2004 (2 pages); and
2. Preliminary Amendment (3 pages).

Very respectfully,

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In re Application of: William Cress)

Serial No.: 10/708,239)

Filed: 02/18/2004)

For: **E2F1 RNA Inhibitor to Prevent
Apoptosis**)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

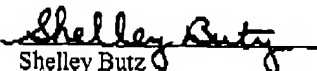
EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8(a))

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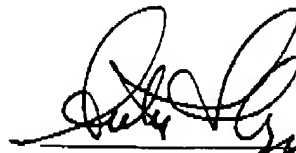
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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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